

# BULGARIANS FEAR TO ATTACK

## RISK OF BEING CAUGHT BETWEEN TWO FIRES IS HOLDING BULGARS BACK

Central Powers Are Still Engaged in Negotiations with Greek Government.

**FRENCH ARE WINNING**  
Keen Interest is Manifest in a Meeting of the British Cabinet in City of London.

(SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAM)  
LONDON, Dec. 27.—Conflicting reports continue to reach London from the scene of the near eastern campaign. Statements from some sources make it appear that Teutonic allies are preparing steadily for an offensive movement in conjunction with the Bulgarians and Turks. Other advices, however, are that the Bulgarians fear to attack lest they be caught between two fires in the strip of territory from the Saloniki-Dolran to the Saloniki-Givigli railroad.

The central powers are still negotiating with Greece. An interview with Premier Skouloudis forecasts failure of the efforts to prevent an invasion of Grecian Macedonia. It is intimated that if an invasion is undertaken the Athens government will devote its efforts towards obtaining guarantees of the evacuation of Greek territory immediately following the completion of military operations.

Along the western front Paris reports successful artillery operations by the French in the Champagne, Woivre and Vosges. Berlin says operations are restricted by incessant rains.

The British public is looking forward with keen interest to today's cabinet meeting. It is expected the cabinet will consider the report of the Earl of Derby in regard to his enlistment plan with special reference to the effect of this report on the question of whether military service should be compulsory.

**TURK Y FORCES ARE REPULSED BY BRITISH**

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
DELHI, via London, Dec. 27.—A vigorous Turkish assault against the British forces at Kut-el-Amara was driven back Saturday with heavy losses, according to an official report received from General Townshend, the British commander.

The report says "Saturday the enemy launched a determined attack against a portion of our positions, which was repulsed with an enemy loss of from 600 to 800 killed and wounded. Our casualties were under 200."

**IS IMPOSSIBLE TO OUST FORCES OF THE ALLIES**

(SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAM)  
ATHENS, Dec. 27.—"With our batteries of heavy artillery and the men behind them it is impossible to oust the allied forces from Saloniki," said General Castelnau, chief of the French general staff, in a statement today to the Associated Press.

General Castelnau gave the interview after being received this morning by King Constantine and attending a luncheon at the French legation. Many of the most important officers of the Greek army and navy and several of the king's closest friends attended the luncheon. General Castelnau's statement was submitted to the French minister, Jean Guillemin, and approved by him.

"The situation at Saloniki today is most excellent," the general continued. "I spend several days examining the ground. I must say I have rarely seen an emplacement which lends itself better to defense."

"I may say also the position provides the most favorable conditions for offensive, as well as defensive operations."

The general was asked whether the Allies contemplate an offensive movement from Saloniki in the spring.

"Spring will tell," he replied. "It is impossible to discount the exigencies of the military situation so far ahead. Should it be decided upon the offensive from Saloniki would be made under peculiarly favorable conditions."

**FRENCH STATEMENT OF WAR OPERATIONS**

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
PARIS, Dec. 27.—The Montenegro army is continuing their offensive and have gained considerable territory in the Sanjak, taking numerous villages and inflicting large losses upon the Austrians, according to an official statement given out by the Montenegrin consul here Monday. The statement which bears the date of December 26, follows:

"Our troops in the Sanjak continued their offensive and captured several villages from the enemy including Goulouche, Doueovo and Dobrida. The Austrians sustained heavy losses in the struggle for the positions."

**PERSIANS ARE DEFEATED BY FORCES OF RUSSIA**

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
PETROGRAD, Dec. 27.—The defeat by Russian troops in Persia of a formation of 15,000 men, has been announced. (Continued on page 2.)

## SISTER

Of Frank C. Helmick, of This City, Dies at Her Home in Preston County.

Mrs. E. T. Wilkins, aged 79, a sister of Frank C. Helmick, of this city, is dead at her home at Independence, Preston county, as the result of a paralytic stroke which she suffered a few days ago while a guest at the home of her aged brother, C. W. Helmick, of West Milford. Her death at 7 o'clock Sunday morning was not unexpected as little hope for her recovery had been held since she was stricken.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home Tuesday afternoon, and interment will be in the cemetery at Independence.

Surviving relatives of the deceased woman are five brothers and two sisters. The brothers are Frank C. Helmick, of this city; M. B., D. S., and A. S. Helmick, of Fairmont, and C. W. Helmick, of West Milford. Mrs. Mary Coburn, of near Springfield, O., and Miss Virginia Helmick, of Fairmont, are the sisters.

## SEAMEN MISSING

Two Members of the Ill-Fated Chilean Bark Are Known to Have Been Lost.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
HONOLULU, Dec. 27.—Two members of the crew of the Chilean bark Ivanhoe, which went ashore at Eleele on the island of Kauai yesterday, are known today to have been lost, and another is missing.

The Ivanhoe dragged its anchor for three hours and finally grounded, breaking in two. It is reported to be a total loss.

## REPORT MADE

By Consul on Sinking of Vessel Declares Attack Was Made on It Without Warning.

(REDAK GAVRILOVICH)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—American Consul Bristol at Port Said cabled today that no warning was given the Japanese liner, Yasaka Maru, before it was torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean last Tuesday by a submarine of unestablished nationality. The liner, he added, made no attempt to escape.

The consul's dispatch, which came in response to Secretary Lansing's call for reports on the disaster, was the first official information on the incident, which probably will be the subject of further diplomatic correspondence with the Teutonic powers.

The general assumption is that the submarine must have been German or Austrian. Renewed efforts will be made to determine its nationality. The state department can gather the necessary information on which to proceed the United States is prepared to include the incident in its diplomatic negotiations against the sinking of non-combatant ships without warning.

## STEAMER SUNK

And Another is Beached But the Crews of Both Vessels Are Saved.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
LONDON, Dec. 27.—The British steamer Hadley, 1,777 tons gross, has been sunk.

The British steamer Emba, 1,172 tons, has been beached at the mouth of the Thames, after forward. The crews of both vessels were rescued.

## MINER STABBED

At Mount Clare and Alleged Assassin Is Held Under Bond.

Accused of attempting to murder Oris Starkey, a coal miner of Mount Clare, by stabbing him in the left side with a knife, John Mastivick, of that place, gave bond of \$500 Monday for his appearance at a hearing Tuesday afternoon before Magistrate J. V. Carter. He was arrested Sunday at Mount Clare by Deputy Sheriff Laco Wolfe and Clarence Vanort.

The stabbing occurred Friday night at Mount Clare and is said to have been the outcome of a quarrel between the two men. Starkey's wound is a deep one, and serious. He is being attended by a physician at his home.

## INTERN PRISONERS

ROME, Dec. 27.—Serbia has turned over to Italy 30,000 Austrian prisoners, who are being interned in Sardinia, being accompanied there by Serbian officers.

## WILSON INDORS.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 27.—Heavy snow kept President Wilson indoors again today and he devoted the day to papers brought from Washington. With Mrs. Wilson he planned to go motoring later in the day. Among the questions before him was the selection of a postmaster for New York city, several applications for pardons and numerous routine executive orders.

## KING PETER OF SERBIA IS BROUGHT TO ITALY ON ITALIAN CRUISER

## BRYAN'S TRIP

To Europe to Join Henry Ford is Knocked Out by the Return of Ford.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Reports that William Jennings Bryan had contemplated joining Henry Ford in Europe were confirmed Monday but because Mr. Ford himself is returning to this country, Mr. Bryan will not go to Europe.

It was learned here that he had booked passage for himself and Mrs. Bryan on the steamship Rotterdam, sailing Tuesday. But Monday he telegraphed that because of Mr. Ford's return, he (Bryan) had indefinitely postponed his trip.

## CRITICALLY ILL

Is Sarah Bernhardt but Her Condition is Not Entirely Hopeless.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Madam Sarah Bernhardt is critically ill but her condition is not entirely hopeless, according to a message from Paris received here Monday by a motion picture which has made several films of the actress. The message said: "Bernhardt is sinking, but relative state condition not hopeless, although she is extremely weak."

## HATCHET

And Shoe Last Used in Fight and Father and Son Are Jailed.

Joseph Surpar, a coal miner of Pinnickinick, and his son, Frank, were arrested there Monday morning by deputy sheriffs and taken to the county jail to await trial on a charge of feloniously attacking and wounding Patrick Kelley, an Irishman of that suburb, with a hatchet and an iron shoe last Sunday night. Kelley was struck twice on the head and his scalp laid open, but his wounds are said to be not serious.

It is alleged that the Surpars and two others went into Kelley's house and a quarrel ensued which resulted in a fight. Officers are hunting for the other two men said to have attacked Kelley.

## MRS. FUCCY DEAD

Wife of Dominick Fuccy, Well Known Contractor of Weston, Dies in Hospital.

Mrs. Rosina Fuccy, aged 41 years, wife of Dominick Fuccy, a well known contractor, of Weston, died at 12:15 o'clock Monday in a local hospital after a week's illness of uraemic poison.

The deceased woman is survived by her husband, Dominick Fuccy and nine children. The body was prepared for burial and will be taken to her home at Weston Tuesday. The funeral services and burial will be held Wednesday.

## DEAD

Is Judge Kendall, a Former Mayor of City of Fairmont.

U. S. Kendall, aged 49, died in St. Joseph's hospital, Mount Clemens, Mich., Saturday evening. He underwent a serious operation about ten days ago. He was a graduate of Yale classical and law departments, ex-mayor of Fairmont and for several years was judge of the intermediate court of Marion county. After retiring from the bench he went to Detroit, where he practiced law. He will be buried at the old Kendall homestead in Somerset county, Pa., Tuesday afternoon.

## DESERTING

Are Poles in the Russian Army as Result of Hunger.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
BERLIN, Dec. 27.—Reports from the Caucasus received here from Constantinople state that the Russian army is demoralized as a result of cold, hunger, cholera, typhoid and poor equipment, says the Overseas News Agency. "Poles in the Russian army, whose homes are in districts occupied by the Germans, are deserting or begging that they may be sent home."

## RAILROAD IN TROUBLE

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 27.—Receivership for the Texas and Pacific Railway Company was asked in a petition filed here Monday by the Bankers Trust Company of New York through their local attorneys. Default in payment of interest on bonds is alleged. Hearing was set for January 11.

Voyage is Rough and the King is Carried Ashore in an Armed Chair.

**HEART RENDING IS SCENE**

No Longer King but Just "General Tootani," Says His Majesty, in His Exile.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
BRINDISI, Italy, Dec. 27.—King Peter, of Serbia, has arrived here on board an Italian cruiser.

The sovereign had refused resolutely until now to leave his army and it was only at the urgent entreaty of his son, the prince regent, that he at last agreed to go into exile.

The prince pointed out to his father that it would be better for him to preserve his strength so that he would be able, after his health had been restored, to return to his country at head of a reorganized army.

**REFUGEE MONARCH IS IN VERY SORRY PLIGHT**

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
PARIS, Dec. 27.—"King Peter of Serbia was brought from Durazzo to Aviano on an Italian cruiser," says the Journal's Aviano correspondent. "The voyage was rough and the king had to be carried ashore in an armed chair. It was a tragic and heart-rending spectacle."

"An automobile carried the monarch to a secluded inn opposite the Italian Headquarters, where I called upon him and was shown into the poorly furnished room he occupied. His clear eyes, what depth of bitterness did they conceal? His features hollowed by suffering, what immense weariness did they betray? That sorrowful countenance was the epitome of a life of tragic woe."

"The physicians who interviewed me told me that upon his arrival the king asked the price of the room and stated that he had no gold to pay for it."

"I am no longer king," he said. "I am only General Tootani (this name which will shelter the king's incognito during his exile is that of a powerful family of Tirana to which Esad Pasha belongs). I give no more orders. It is the crown prince who commands. For the future I am nothing in the government. A soldier's duty is to obey. A soldier's duty is to obey."

"And the army your majesty?" I asked.

"My soldiers are dropping from hunger and weariness. We must feed them and then after a few weeks' rest we shall see."

"What are your plans, sire?"

"I want to go to Saloniki to see my minister of war. If this is impossible, I shall arrange something. I have got to live to see victory for my people and the triumph of our just cause."

## DOUGLAS CHILD

Will Be Buried at Miletus, Doddridge County, Tuesday Afternoon.

"Jimmie" Douglas, aged two years, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Douglas, of Northview, died at 10 o'clock Sunday night after an illness of a complication of diseases. The deceased boy is survived by his parents and two brothers.

The funeral services and burial will be held Tuesday afternoon at Miletus, Doddridge county. The funeral party will leave here at 12:30 o'clock Tuesday morning on Baltimore and Ohio fast passenger train No. 2.

## LUNACY WARRANT

Sworn Out against Young Man Who Shot Mother, Uncle and Guest.

A lunacy warrant was sworn out Monday in the county clerk's office by E. Bowman, of Despard, against the young man of that place who was jailed Christmas night for shooting his mother, Mr. Bowman and Michael Wagner, a visitor, with a 22-caliber revolver. Those who were shot were only slightly wounded and are recovering rapidly.

The county lunacy board will examine young McKimby, who is still a prisoner in the county jail, at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. It is reported that the prisoner has before suffered mental affliction and that he was once an asylum patient.

## MORE VESSELS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Sinking of the Belgian steamer Minerva, a passenger ship, is announced. The crew left the steamer in boats, two of which were missing. The British steamer Oostham, of 514 tons, has been sunk. The crew was saved.

## INVASION OF VETERAN RUSS ARMY NEW MENACE TO BULGARIA



Russian army mobilized at Odessa ready for Bulgarian invasion; General Savoff, commander in chief of Bulgarian forces, map illustrating Russian invasion of Bulgaria, towns marked with heavy circles indicating concentration points of the Russian army.

For many weeks a large Russian army has been stationed at Odessa on the Black Sea, ready for an invasion of Bulgaria. A few days ago it was reported that a portion of this army had actually been landed at the Bulgarian port of Varna. The men Russia plans to use in conquering Bulgaria are all veterans of the Polish campaign and to say the least they are hardy, rugged fighters.

## FRENCH STEAMER IS TORPEDOED AND SUNK WITHOUT A WARNING

In Mediterranean Sea by a Submarine but All Aboard Rescued.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
PARIS, Dec. 27.—The French steamer Ville de la Ciotat with passengers on board was torpedoed without warning and sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine on December 24, the ministry of marine announced Monday. Most of the passengers and members of the crew have been rescued.

The statement follows: "The steamer Ville de la Ciotat was torpedoed and sunk on the twenty-fourth in the Mediterranean by an enemy submarine without warning. A majority of the passengers and crew were saved. Details have not been received."

The Ville de la Ciotat was one of the largest of the steamships sunk recently in the Mediterranean. Its gross tonnage was 6,378. It was 487 feet long and fifty feet beam. It was built at LaCiotat, France, in 1892, and was owned by the Messageries Maritimes of Marseilles. It was last reported on its arrival at Saigon, Indo-China, on December first, on a voyage from Yokohama to Marseilles.

## SMITH'S NAME

Is to Be Placed on the Presidential Primary Ballot in Michigan.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
LANSING, Mich., Dec. 27.—Petitions to place the name of United States Senator William Alden Smith, of Grand Rapids, on the presidential primary ballot as Michigan's candidate for the Republican nomination for president were filed in the secretary of state's office Monday. The Smith petitions are the first filed in Michigan in behalf of any Republican presidential candidate.

## ILL WITH FEVER

James Mulligan was taken to his home in Huntington last night on train No. 1 suffering with pneumonia fever. Mr. Mulligan is employed by the Roberts Hardware Company and has been complaining for several days. Many of his friends hope to hear from him in a few days that he is better and ready to come back.

## TRIAL DATE SET

James Beckwith, colored, who was recently arrested for violating the prohibition law, will be arraigned for a hearing or trial in Magistrate Jackson V. Carter's court at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening. Beckwith is a prisoner in the county jail.

## COMPLAINT

Is Made to the Commission by Illinois and Indiana Coal Operators Associations.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Illinois and Indiana coal operators associations today complained to the Interstate Commerce Commission that Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe and other railroads' rates on coal in carloads from Indiana and Illinois mines to Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa points are unreasonable and unjust compared with the rates to the same points from mines in Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

## BIG GATHERING

Greets Evangelist at the Initial Meeting of Revival Campaign at Adamston.

Not since Governor Hatfield addressed the people of Adams has there been such a large number gathered at the Adamston Methodist Episcopal church as that which greeted the Rev. Dr. Baggett, at the opening service of the revival meetings at that church last night.

Dr. Baggett proved himself to be an able minister and fully up to all advance notices.

The services each evening will begin promptly at 7:45 o'clock with a half hour song service. The "Bible" Sunday song books will be used during the revival, and all persons possessing one of them is requested to take it with them.

Dr. Baggett will conduct factory meetings during the day which are now being arranged for.

The subject of tonight's sermon will be "The Man Who Failed in Revival Work—Elijah."

All persons are invited to attend these meetings. A cordial welcome awaits all.

## THREE SUICIDES

In the City of Wheeling with Various Methods Employed Are Reported.

WHEELING, Dec. 27.—Three persons took their lives in Wheeling this morning. William Fete, a mill worker, said to live in Steubenville, blew the top of his head off with a shotgun on the river bank, and Max Frank, a stogie maker, was found dead in his room with his throat cut. May Parsons drank poison in the night and was found dead a few hours later.

## BOUGHNER FUNERAL

A combined Elks and church service was held at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon over the body of Oliver P. Boughner in the Elks lodge room and interment was at the Odd Fellows cemetery. Officers of the lodge and the Rev. Dr. W. C. Taylor officiated in the presence of relatives, friends and lodge members.